MUZARAVI.

The 27th January 1893.

Camp No. 40.—M. R. Ry. Togarai Ramasastri is appointed as a Dharmadarsi of the Devastanams in the town of Seringapatam and Karighatta in the Seringapatam Taluk, *vice* Komaraiya resigned.

A. SREENIVASACHARLU,
Supt. and Ex-Officio Secretary.

Proceedings of the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore, (Muzarayi), dated 14th December 1892.

No. 233-42—Muz. F. 102-92, dated, Bangalore, 14th December 1892.

Order.—It has been brought to notice that the established custom of obtaining His Highness the Maharaja's previous consent to nomination of successors to religious Matts within the State, has not been followed in recent years in a few individual instances.

2. This custom which is an ancient one was followed even during the British administration of the State by reporting every succession to a Matt for the orders of the Chief Commissioner.

3. The omission to report in a few cases has led to the succession to the Guruship of persons, who from their antecedents or lack of learning and qualification do not always command the esteem and regard of their disciples.

4. The Government of His Highness the Maharaja are of opinion that it will advance the public good to enforce due observance of the custom as regards those Matts which enjoy Government grants.

5. It is therefore ordered that the following Rules on the subject will be communicated to all the Matts in the State :—

RULES.

I. Every succession to a Matt enjoying Government grants in land or money or honors granted by the sovereign, should receive the approval of His Highness the Maharaja. Such approval should ordinarily be obtained by previous application to His Highness in the Muzarayi Department.

II. To provide as far as possible against the contingency of a Guru dying suddenly he may as an act of ordinary prudence fix upon one or more eligible persons for an eventual selection by himself as his successor and obtain His Highness' opinion as to the eligibility of such persons. The Guru may, then in due time, select one of them to succeed him.

III. Should the Guru fail to obtain His Highness' approval to an eligible candidate or candidates and should he on the sudden approach of death or fear of death select a successor and give the *A'sramam* to him, the recognition of his succession will, for the purpose of enabling him to enjoy all State grants in land or money, rest with His Highness, who, in exercising his discretion in the matter, will be guided by the opinion of the community and the personal qualification of the successor.

IV. Should a Guru die without giving *A'sramam* to a successor him surviving, then a proper successor shall be selected by the community interested, with the consent of His Highness.

V. Non-recognition of a successor by His Highness will involve the resumption of all State grants in land or money and the customary *Marithés* and *Birúthus* granted or enjoyed under authority from the sovereign.

A. SREENIVASACHARLU,
Secretary.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Notification.

The 6th February 1893.

No. 447—59.—The services of Mr. D. Sitaram Rao, Executive Engineer, 4th Grade, are temporarily placed at the disposal of the Palace Department, from the date he hands over charge of the French Rocks Division to Mr. V. Arunachallam Mudaliar who will join at once.

2. He is placed on the seconded list of the Public Works Department from date of relief.

No. 450—61.—The following transfer is ordered in the interests of the public service :—

Mr. O. V. Norris, B. C. E., Assistant Engineer, 2nd Grade, from the Mysore Division to the charge of the Bangalore Range of the Bangalore Division as a *temporary measure*, *vice* Mr. V. Arunachala Mudaliar transferred to the French Rocks Division.

D. McNeil Campbell, *Lieut.-Col., R. E.,*
Secy. to the Govt. of Mysore, P. W. Dept.